

House Bill 1350 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Smith of the 113th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Oconee County, approved April 18, 1917 (Ga. L. 1917, p. 384), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 17, 1975 (Ga. L. 1975, p. 3105), so as to provide for terms for the members of the board of commissioners of Oconee County; to provide for elections; to provide for a referendum; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Oconee County, approved April 18, 1917 (Ga. L. 1917, p. 384), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 17, 1975 (Ga. L. 1975, p. 3105), is amended by striking in its entirety Section 2 of such amendatory Act and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(2) At the election in November, 2008, the members of the Board of Commissioners of Oconee County shall be elected as provided in this Act. Those members elected from Posts 1 and 4 shall be elected for terms of four years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Those members elected from Posts 2 and 3 shall be elected for terms of two years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Thereafter, successors shall be elected for terms of four years. All members shall take office on January 1 of the year following their election."

SECTION 2.

The election superintendent of Oconee County shall cause the question provided in this section to be placed on the ballots provided to the electors of Oconee County on the date of the November, 2006, general election. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

1 "() YES Shall that Act be approved which provides that the members of the Board
2 of Commissioners of Oconee County shall be elected to serve staggered
3 () NO four-year terms?"

4 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring
5 to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on
6 such question are for approval of the Act, Section 1 of this Act shall become of full force and
7 effect on January 1, 2007. If the Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted
8 as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective and this Act shall
9 be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following that election
10 date. The expense of such election shall be borne by Oconee County. It shall be the election
11 superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

12 **SECTION 3.**

13 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
14 without such approval.

15 **SECTION 4.**

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.